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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Eidsmore et al)

Examiner: Fox, J.)

Application Serial No.: 10/605,266)

Confirmation No.: 2265)

Filed: September 18, 2003)

Art Unit: 3753)

For: **MODULAR SURFACE MOUNT
MANIFOLD**)

Attorney Docket No.: 22188/06640)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed June 29, 2005, Applicant hereby responds as follows. The shortened period for response expired September 29, 2005, accordingly Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$120.00 for the extension of time is enclosed herewith. The extended due date for this response therefore is October 31, 2005. It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to deposit account number 03-0172.**

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